public in accordance with 40 CFR 1503.1.

(b) Response to comments. The responsible official shall respond to comments in the final EIS in accordance with 40 CFR 1503.4.

### § 6.404 Supplements.

- (a) General. The responsible official shall consider preparing supplements to draft and final EISs in accordance with 40 CFR 1502.9(c). A supplement shall be prepared, circulated and filed in the same fashion (exclusive of scoping) as draft and final EISs.
- (b) Alternative procedures. In the case where the responsible official wants to deviate from existing procedures, OEA shall be consulted. OEA shall consult with CEQ on any alternative arrangements.

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# Subpart E—Environmental Review Procedures for Wastewater Treatment Construction Grants Program

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## §6.500 Purpose.

This subpart amplifies the procedures described in subparts A through D with detailed environmental review procedures for the Municipal Wastewater Treatment Works Construction Grants Program under Title II of the Clean Water Act.

## § 6.501 Definitions.

- (a) Step 1 facilities planning means preparation of a plan for facilities as described in 40 CFR part 35, subpart E or I
- (b) Step 2 means a project to prepare design drawings and specifications as described in 40 CFR part 35, subpart E or I.
- (c) Step 3 means a project to build a publicly owned treatment works as described in 40 CFR part 35, subpart E or I.
- (d) Step 2=3 means a project which combines preparation of design drawings and specifications as described in

 $\S6.501(b)$  and building as described in  $\S6.501(c)$ .

- (e) *Applicant* means any individual, agency, or entity which has filed an application for grant assistance under 40 CFR part 35, subpart E or I.
- (f) *Grantee* means any individual, agency, or entity which has been awarded wastewater treatment construction grant assistance under 40 CFR part 35, subpart E or I.
- (g) Responsible Official means a Federal or State official authorized to fulfill the requirements of this subpart. The responsible Federal official is the EPA Regional Administrator and the responsible State official is as defined in a delegation agreement under 205(g) of the Clean Water Act. The responsibilities of the State official are subject to the limitations in §6.514 of this subpart.
- (h) Approval of the facilities plan means approval of the facilities plan for a proposed wastewater treatment works pursuant to 40 CFR part 35, subpart E or I.

## § 6.502 Applicability and limitations.

- (a) *Applicability*. This subpart applies to the following actions:
- (1) Approval of a facilities plan or an amendment to the plan;
- (2) Award of grant assistance for a project where signficant change has occurred in the project or its impact since prior compliance with this part; and
- (3) Approval of preliminary Step 3 work prior to the award of grant assistance pursuant to 40 CFR part 35, subpart E or I.
- (b) *Limitations.* (1) Except as provided in §6.504(c), all recipients of Step 1 grant assistance must comply with the requirements, steps, and procedures described in this subpart.
- (2) As specified in 40 CFR 35.2113, projects that have not received Step 1 grant assistance must comply with the requirements of this subpart prior to submission of an application for Step 3 or Step 2=3 grant assistance.
- (3) Except as otherwise provided in §6.507, no step 3 or 2=3 grant assistance may be awarded for the construction of any component/portion of a proposed wastewater treatment system(s) until the responsible official has: